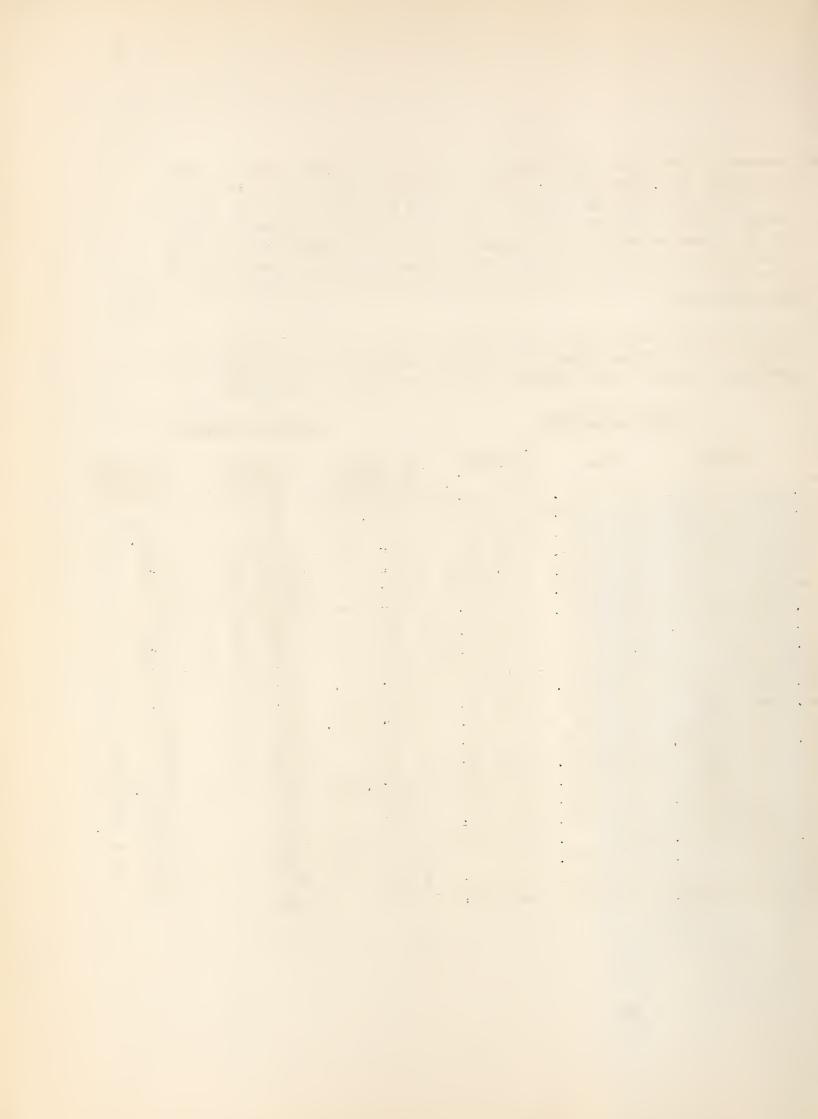
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Table 1. WHFAT: Daily volume of trading (sales) Chicago Board of Trade, during March, 1937.

Date	(III UIIOGSaiid	F U T U	R E	All Wheat - Futures
	May	July	Septili	- Futures
March, 1937				
1	16,788	8,145	2,053	26,986
2.	16,464	5,604	2,481	24,549
5	25,720	8,403	2,582	34,705
4	10,435 L	4,659 L	1,259 L	16,353 L
5	19,510	11,231	3,175	33,916
6	16,671	7,491	1,765	25,927
Sunday	20,012	, , 202	1,700	2.0,02.1
8	14,172	10,197	3,182	27,551
9	16,845	11,437	5,602	33,884
10	35,521 H	22,415	8,318	63,254 H
11	18,167	12,359	6,494	37,020
12	24,480	14,748	4,881	44,109
13	17,158	8,734	4,051	29,943
Sunday	17,100	0,701	-,001	, J. 200
15	18,139	15,090	7,367	40,596
16	19,957	14,688	6,546	41,191
17	28,225	22,817 H	8,986 H	60,028
18	17,071	13,577	7,067	37,715
19	20,382	16,400	6,868	43,650
20	15,394	13,603	5,398	34,395
Sunday	10,004	10,000	0,000	0.2,000
22	32,056	20,220	7,805	60,081
23	22,781	16,493	6,948	46,222
24	26,184	16,973	6,978	50,135
25	23,192	16,957	6,804	46,953
Toliday	RIU 9 IL U RI	10,501	0,004	40 , 200
27	18,721	13,285	6,042	38,048
Sunday	10,72.1	10,200	0,0=2	00,040
29	24,759	17,896	6,882	49,537
30	25,007	20,077	8,417	53,501
31	19,883			
Total,	T5,000	18,158	6,188	1229 81610
March, 1937	541 699	361,657	144,139	1,047,478
Total,	541,682	301,037	177,100	1,021,210
February, 1937	449,312	178,421	57,048	684 , 781
Total,	T10,012	170,201	07,040	00-2,701
	224 457	135,604	41,657	401,733(1)
	224,437	100,002	±1,007	207,100(7)

H-aighest; L-lowest.

⁽¹⁾ Total includes 35 December wheat.

Table 2. WHEAT: Daily volume of trading (sales) all futures combined, at four principal markets, during March, 1937.

(In thousands of bushels, i.e., 000 omitted) Chicago Minneapolis Kansas City Duluth(1) Date Board of Chamber of Board of Beard of Total Trade . Commerce Trade Trade March, 1937 746 9 29,085 1 26,986 1,344 L 27,382 2 7 989 24,549 1,837 3 2,420 34,705 1,222 38,347 4 16,353 L 1,523 18,730 L 854 5 37,159 33,916 1,135 2,104 4 6 25,927 912 1,821 28,660 Sunday 8 27,551 732 L 2,020 6 30,309 9 800 33,884 2,546 37,230 10 66,254 II 1,910 4,022 18 72,204 H 11 37,020 1,165 2,623 2. 40,810 12 44,109 1,266 2,538 16 47,929 13 2,077 32,822 29,943 800 Sunday 15 40,596 1,072 3,411 20 45,099 16 41,191 1,301 2,895 16 45,403 17 60,028 1,652 4,359 H 19 66,058 18 9 37,715 1,045 2,755 41,524 19 43,650 1,129 2,553 11 47,343 20 34,395 878 2,068 17 37,358 Sunday 22 2,128 II 4,157 38 66,404 60,081 23 1,334 3,357 40 50,953 46,222 24 6 1,751 3,338 55,230 50,135 25 1,159 3,354 29 51,495 46,953 Moliday 27 38,048 1,369 2,322 49 II 41,788 Sunday 3,059 29 2,028 24 54,648 49,537 3,314 30 1,570 4 58,389 53,501 3,073 10 48,724 31 1,412 44,229 Total, 70,890 356 March, 1937 32,359 1,151,083 1,047,478 Total, 220 February, 1937 684,781 25,629 50,767 761,397 Total,

22,024

30,075

1,589

455,421

401,733

March, 1936

M-highest; L-lowest.

⁽¹⁾ All durum,

Table 3. W EAT: Daily open commitments of Clearing members, Chicago Board of Trade, during March, 1937.

Date	F	UTURE		All Wheat
	May	July	Sept.	Fu tures
March, 1937				
1	62,777	28,070	17,133 L	107,980 L
2.	62,840 II	28,397	17,592	108,829
3	62,444	28,082	17,649	108,175
4	62,665	27,989 L	17,718	108,378
5	62,685	28,693	18,351	109,729
6	62,647	29,044	18,364	110,055
Sunday	·			
8	62,689	30,625	18,637	111,951.
9	62,432	30,544	19,197	112,173
10	60,838	30,161	19,247	110,246
1.1	60,285	29,978	19,991	110,254
12	59,626	30,739	20,173	110,538
13	59,847	31,510	20,261	111,618
Sunday				
15	59,728	32,004	20,783	112,515
16	59,737	33,028	21,355	114,120 II
17	57,885	35,094	22,522	113,501
18	57,445	33,151	22,953	113,549
19	56,559	33,496	22,802	112,857
50	55,527	35,114	22,935	111,576
Sunday				
32	53,608	32,737	23,290	109,635
23	53,769	33,105	23,486	110,360
24	53,279	33,545	24,160	110,984
25	52,754	33 , 585	24,147	110,486
Toliday				
2.7	52,305	33,419	24,279	110,003
Sunday		0.0.0	24 220	100 201
29	52,291	32,980	24,020	109,291
30	52,283	33,190	24,547	110,020
31	51,924 L	34,057 I	94,651 II	110,632
Average,	FO 770	77 ANA	6)3 3 C C	110 740
Varea, 1937	58,110	31,474	21,163	110,748
Average,	C17	20 740	74 747	106 000
February, 1937 Average,	63,504	28,349	14,147	106,000
	60 516	70 100	7,735	100,477(1)
March, 1936	60,546	32,188	1,100	100, 111(1)

⁽¹⁾ Average includes 8 average open commitments December wheat.

Table 4. WHFAT: Daily open commitments of Clearing Members, all futures combined, at four principal markets, during March, 1937.

	(In thousand	s of bushels,	i.e., 000 omi	tted)	
	Chicago	Minneapolis	Kansas City	Duluth(1)	
Date	Roard of	Chamber of	Foard of	Board of	Total
	Trade	Commerce	Trade	Trade	
March, 1937					
1	107,980 L	6,348 H	14,982	410	129,720 L
8	108,829	6,223	15,297	411	130,760
3	108,175	6,097	15,474	411	130,157
·r	103,372	6,152	15,747	411 H	130,682
õ	109,729	6,199	15,726	407	132,061
6	110,055	6,030	15,897	407	132,389
Sunday					
8	111,951	6,021	16,174 H	407	134,553
9	112,173	6,041	15,7±9	407	134,370
10	110,246	6,038	15,023	410	131,717
11	110,254	5,945	14,836	409	131,444
12	110,538	5,853	14,546	407	131,344
13	111,618	5,874	14,720	405	132,617
Sunday					
15	112,515	5,882	14,534	400	133,331
16	114,120 H	5,929	15,046	397	135,492 н
17	113,501	5,962	14,999	395	134,857
18	113,549	5,869	14,913	393	134,724
19	112,857	5,888	14,672	392	133,809
20	111,576	5,819 L	14,587	400	132,382
Sunday	·	·	·		
22	109,635	5,850	14,258	392	130,135
23	110,360	5,985	13,715 L	396	130,456
24	110,984	6,192	14,542	402	132,120
25	110,486	6,072	14,904	392 L	131,854
Holiday	·				
27	110,003	6,048	14,670	396	131,117
Sunday					
29	109,291	6,061	14,319	393	130,064
30	110,020	6,095	14,453	395	130,963
31	110,632	6,061	14,177	403	131,273
Average,					
March, 1937	110,748	6,021	14,922	402	132,092
Average.					
February, 1937	106,000	6,469	14,384	429	127,283
Average,					
March, 1936	100,477	6,898	14,458	563	122,396
H-highest; L-lowest.					
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(1) All durum.

Table 5. WHEAT: Daily high, low and closing prices of various futures, Chicago Board of Trade, during March, 1937.

(In cents per bushel)

			FUT	URE	
Date		Vi A Y	:	JULY	-
	High	Low	Closing :	High Low	Closing
March, 1937			*		
ì	133 1/4	131 7/8 L	132 3/4-7/8:	115 113 7/8	L 114 3/4-7/8
2	133 7/8	132	133 5/8-1/2:		115 1/4-1/8
3	135	133	133 1/8-133:		114 5/8-3/4
3	133 5/8	132 5/8	133 3/8-1/4:		114 3/4-5/8
5	135 1/2		135 1/4-1/2:		
ΰ	136 5/8		135 1/2-3/8:		
Sunday	100 0/0	100 1/ 1	:	110 1/0	111 110 1/0
8	136 1/4	134 5/8	136-135 7/8:	118 3/8 116 1/2	118 3/8-1/8
9	$137 \ 1/4$	$135 \ 1/2$	136 1/2-3/8:		119 1/8-1/4
10	140	137 1/8	137 7/8-5/8:		122-121 7/8
	138 3/8	136 3/4	137 1/4-1/8:		120 3/4-5/8
11 12	,				
	137	$135 \ 1/2$	135 7/8-3/4:		117 7/8-118
13	135	133 3/4	134 1/8-3/8:	118 117 1/4	111 1/0-110
Sunday	170 7/0	175 1/4	17:1/0 1/4	101 1/4 110 1/0	101 1/0 1/4
15	136 3/8	135 1/4	136, 1/8-1/4:		121 1/8-1/4
16	137 1/2	135 1/2	137-137 1/8:		122 1/4-3/8
17	139 1/4	137 3/4	138 1/8-138:		
18	139	136 7/8	138 3/4-139:		124 5/8-3/4
19	138	135 7/8	136 1/4-1/8:		121 7/8-3/4
20	138 1/2	136 1/2	138 3/8-1/4:	124 1/2 122 1/4	124 1/4-1/2
Sunday	,	,	:	,	
22	141 1/2	139 1/8	139 1/4-3/8:		126 1/8-1/4
23	140	138 5/8	139 3/4-7/8:		125 5/8-3/4
24	141 7/8	140 1/2	140 3/4-5/8:		126-125 7/8
25	141 3/4	139 5/8	140 3/4-7/8:	127 3/4 125 1/8	120 3/4-7/8
Holiday		,	:	,	,
	143	140 1/8	142 5/8-7/8:	129 126 1/4	128 7/8-129
Sur day	,	,	:	,	
29	144 3/8			130 1/2 H 128 1/8	
30	144 1/4			$129 \ 3/4 \ 120 \ 5/8$	
31	$144 \ 3/4 \ H$		142 3/4-1/2:	129 7/8 127 1/8	
Range, Mar. 1937		12 7/8	9	16 5/8	THE PARTY AND ASSESSMENT OF THE PARTY OF THE
Net Change (A		10 7/8	:	13 5/8	
Since 2/28/37(D			:		
Highest for fut	ure	144 3/4		130 1/2	
Date	I.	March 31, 19	37 :	March 29,]	1937
Lowest for futu		104 1/4	9	96 7/8	
Date	·	July 22, 193	36 :	October 2,]	1936
			A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR		

Table 6. WHEAT: Daily closing prices of the May future at Chicago, Minneapolis, Kanses City, Duluth, Winnipeg, Liverpool and Buenos Aires, during March, 1937. (In cents per bushel)

(In cents per bushel)	Liverpool(2) Ruenos Aires		1/2 102 1/	1/2 L 102 3/		3/4 104 5/	7/8 104 1/	100 1/		1/8 105 7/	1/2 108 5/	1/2 109 7	109 3/	7/8 108 1/	1/2 109		7/8 11	3/8 114 1/	2/	17 3/	1/8	1/		1/	1/	2, 3/4	1/	iday		da	7	5/	1/	1/4 16 3/			37 1/8	
- 1	g(2)		26 1/2= 1 1	27 1/8= 1	_	27= b 1	28 3/4 b 1	28 5/8= b 1		28 7/8	30 1	32 3/4	32 1/8	130 3/8= 133	29 3/4 1		33 = 13	34 1/4 13	$36\ 3/4 = 13$	138 1/8 137	34 5/8 13	38 1/4 13		$39 \ 3/8 = 14$	40 1/8 14	14	43 7/8= 14	147 3/8= Eol		47 3/8 E	48 7/8 H 1	1/4	22 1/4=	1	,		2 1/4 2	
, during March, 1937.			44	44 1/	145 1/4 a	45	46 3/	46 3/4		45 3/4	45 3/4	46	46 1/2	145 b	43		43	44 1/	4	146 1/4 b	4	45		47 1/	46 1/8	$147 \ 1/4 \ b$	47 1/2	149 b H		148 5/8 a	147 a	146 a	9	8		8 1/4		
d Buenos Aires,			U.		1/4	24 1/	5.6	36 3/8-		11 26	27	29 3/	CS	_	\mathcal{C}		27 1/	28 1/	C	8	S	3		32	31 5/	132 3/4	32 3/	134		134 1/4 b	135	33	11 1/4	0 3/	. 1			sign)-split.
r, Liverpool an	Minneapolis		53	55	_	38 5/	\aleph	39 3/		40 1/	41 1/	42 3/	41 1/	140 1/4	38 5/		40 1/	41.5/	42 1/	143 3/8	40 3/	42 5/		42 1/	42 7/	143 3/8	44 1/	146 5/8-1/2		147 1/8-147	47 5/	46 1/	10 1/8	3/		4 1/4		-bid; =(equal
Duluth, Winnipez, Liverpool and Buenos	Chicago		32 3/4-7/	33 5/8-1/	133 1/8-133	33 3/8-1/	35 1/4-1/	35 1/2-3/		36-135 7/	36 1/2-3/	/2-8/2 2	37 1/4-1/	_	34 1/8-3/		36 1/8-1/	37-137 1/	38 1/8-13	/4-J	36 1/4-1/	38 3/8-1/		39 1/4-3/	39 3/4-7/	140 3/4-5/8	40 3/4-7/	142 5/8-7/8		3	44-144 1/	42 3/4-1/	1937 11 3/8	10 7/	J	(Over Chi	Under Chicago	-lowest; a-asked; b
	Date	March, 1937	<u>_</u>	N	3	4	Ω	9	Sunday	ω	ഗ	10	11,	12	13	Sunday	15	16	17	18	19	30	Sunday	22	23	5.4	35	27	Sunday	53	30	31	Range, March,	Net Change	Since 2/28/37	Average Spread	- 1	h-highest; L

(1) Durum prices.

(2) See note on last page of this report.

Table 7. CORN: Daily volume of trading (Sales) Chicago Board of Trade, during March, 1937.

Date	F	UTURI	E	All Corn
D & 0 €	May(1)	July(1)	Sept.	Futures
March, 1937	11203 (11)	0 42 3 (2)	2000	
1 2 3 4 5 6 Sunday	1,742 1,683 1,937 1,619 1,694 1,643	1,052 849 1,107 781 L 861 1,630	505 L 555 868 741 757 733	3,299 3,087 L 3,912 3,141 3,312 4,006
8 9 10 11 12 13 Sunday	1,602 2,994 3,854 1,771 2,748 1,443	917 2,062 2,398 1,362 1,261 1,121	913 1,765 2,182 962 1,508 604	3,432 6,821 8,434 4,095 5,517 3,168
15. 16 17 18 19 20 Sunday	1,459 1,606 1,977 1,890 1,210 L 1,538	1,569 1,947 2,112 1,571 1,369 1,059	943 862 1,467 1,069 1,007 800	3,971 4,415 5,556 4,530 3,586 3,397
22 23 24 25 Holiday 27	3,080 1,718 1,603 5,768 H	2,563 1,182 1,060 3,293	1,424 1,008 918 1,743	7,067 3,908 3,581 10,804
Sunday 29 30 31	5,218 4,461 4,875 4,795	4,331 H 3,609 3,442 4,059	2,009 2,491 H 1,837 2,002	11,558 M 10,561 10,154 10,856
Total,				
March, 1937 Total, February, 1937	65,928 67,906	48,567 34,493	31,673 21,047	146,168 123,446
Total, March, 1936 K-highest; L-lowes	29,545	12,722	6,041	48,308

⁽¹⁾ Since Movember 2, 1936, when a change was made in deliverable grades, trading is carried on in Old and New contracts in May and July corn. The volume shown for these futures is combined Old and New.

Table 8. CORN: Daily volume of trading (sales) all futures combined, at Chicago and Kansas City, during March, 1937.

(In thousands of bushels, i.e., 000 omitted) Chicago(1) Kansas City(1) Date Board of Board of Total Trade Trade March, 1937 3,299 175 3,474 2 3,087 L 39 L 3,126 L 3 3,912 70 3,982 4 3,141 54 3,195 5 3,312 64 3,376 6 4,006 148 4,154 Sunday 3,432 78 8 3,510 9 6,831 131 6,952 8,434 8,774 10 340 4,095 11 116 4,211 12 5,517 68 5,585 3,168 111 13 3,279 Sunday 3,971 15 206 4,177 16 4,415 190 4,605 17 5,556 186 5,742 18 4,530 63 4,593 19 3,586 57 3,643 30 3,397 <u>i</u>] 3,438 Sunday 22 7,067 165 7,232 23 3,908 13_o 4,044 24 42 3,581 3,623 25 10,804 185 10,989 Holiday 27 370 H 11,558 H 11,928 H Sunday 29 10,561 238 10,799 30 10,154 300 10,454 285 31 10,856 11,142 Total. 146,168 3,859 March, 1937 150,027 Total, February, 1937 123,446 4,221 127,667 Total, March, 1936 48,308 2,836 51,144

⁽¹⁾ Due to change in deliverable grades, Chicago began trading in both Old and New contracts on November 2, 1936, and Kansas City on January 4, 1937. The volume shown combines Old and New.

Table 9. CORN: Daily open commitments of Clearing Members, Chicago Foard of Trade, during March, 1937.

)r.te	011043 4143 01 53	FUTURE	11 0 0 0 0 0	All Corn
	May(1)	July(1)	Sept.	Tu tures
March, 1937				
1	17,382 H	12,085	6,583	36,050
2	17,298	12,202	6,570 L	35,070
3	17,268	12,209 H	6,652	36,129 H
4.	17,167	12,054	6,726	35,947
5	16,931	11,989	6,645	35,565
6	16,810	11,903	6,669	35,382
Sunday	•	,	•	,
8	16,681	11,850	6,692	35,223
9	16,540	11,579	6,710	34,829
10	15,912	11,539	7,121	34,572
11	15,982	11,556	7,008	34,546
12	15,966	11,763	7,067	34 , 796
13	15,902	11,631	7,101	3.1 , 634
Sunday				
15	15,869	11,775	7,261	34 , 905
16	15,846	11,625	7,213	34,684
17	15,768	11,468	7,334	34 , 570
18	15,229	11,428	7,409	34 , 066
19	14,982	11,316	7,538	3 <mark>3,</mark> 836
20	14,862	11,186	7,658	33 , 706
Sunday				
22	14,696	10,943	7,755	33,394
23	14,490	11,155	7,894	33 , 539
24	14,211	11,131	8,001	33 , 343
25	13,781	10,927 L	8,224	32,932
Holiday				
27	13,164	10,992	8,278	32,434
Sunday	7.0 207	77.704	0.000	70 105 W
2.9	12,703	11,194	8,296	32,193 L
30 31	12,791	11,251	8,287	32,329
Average,	12,241 L	11,661	8,548 II	32,450
March, 1937	15 407	11 554	7 755	74 710
Average,	15,403	11,554	7,355	34,312
February, 1937	18,366	12,211	6,509	37,566
Average,	10,000	±+19.7±±	0,000	01,000
March, 1936	14,057	8,341	2,799	25,197
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⁽¹⁾ Since Hovember 2, 1936, when a change was made in deliverable grades, trading is carried on in Old and New contracts in May and July corn. The open commitments shown for these futures are combined old and new.

Table 10. CORN. Daily open commitments of Clearing Members, all futures combined, at Chicago and Kansas City, during March, 1937.

	(In thousands of bushels	s, i.e., OOO omitted)	
	Chicago(1)	Kansas City(1)	
Date	Board of	Board of	Total
	Trade	Trade	
March, 1937			
1	36,050	932	36,982
2	36,070	927	36,997
S	36,129 H	936	37,065 H
4	35,947	924	36,871
5	35,565	925	36,490
6	35,382	946	36,328
Sunday		9-2	
8	35,223	956 955	36,179
9	34,829	9 55	35,784
10	34,572	904	35,476
11	34,546	954	35,500
12	54,796	948	35,744
13	3 4,634	953	35,587
Sunday	7. 005	663	75 700
15 3.6	34,905	891	35,796
16	34,684	874	35,558
17	34,570	885	35 ,455
18	34,066	873	34,939
<u>1</u> 9 20	33,836	858 86 0	34,694
	33,706	800	34,566
Sunday 22	77 70/	830 L	34,224
23	33,394	888	34,427
24 24	33,539 33,343	884	34,227
25	32,932	915	35,847
Koliday	02, 902.	510	90,047
27	- 32 , 434	917	33,351
Sunday	0x., 101	311	55,001
29	32,193 L	977 H	33,170 L
30	32 , 329	972	33,301
31	32,450	974	35,424
Average,	0:1, 100		
March, 1937	34,312	918	35,230
Average,			
February, 1937	37,586	863	38,450
Average,			
March, 1936	25,197	1,564	25,761

⁽¹⁾ Due to change in deliverable grades, Chicago began trading in both Old and New contracts on November 2, 1936, and Kansas City on January 4, 1937. The open commitments shown combine Old and New.

Table 11. CORN: Daily high, low and closing prices of various futures, Chicago Board of Trade, during March, 1937.

(In cents per bushel)

			F U T			
Date		lvi A. Y		:	JULY	
	High	Low	Closing	: High	Low	Closing
March, 1937		(NEW) (1)		•	(INEMA) (I)	
1	108 1/4		107 7/8-3/4		102 1/8	102 1/2
2	107 7/8	107	107 1/2-3/8		101 5/8	102 1/8
3	107 7/8	106 1/2	100 5/8-3/4	: 102 1/2	101 3/8	101 3/4-7/8
4	107	106 - L	100 5/8-3/4	: 102 1/8	101 3/8 L	101 7/8
4 5	108		107 7/8-108		102 1/8	102 7/8-103
6	108 7/8		108 1/4-3/8			103 1/2-5/8
Sunday	•	ŕ	, ,	:	,	, ,
8	109 1/8	107 7/8	1.09	: 104 1/4	103 1/8	104 1/8
9	110 1/8	108 5/8	109 5/8-3/4		104 1/8	104 7/8-105
10	111	109 1/4	109 5/8-3/4		104 1/2	105-105 1/8
11	110 1/8	109 1/8	109 5/8		104 5/8	104 7/8-105
12	109 3/4	107 3/4	107 7/8	: 105 1/8	103 3/4	103 7/8
13	108 1/2	107 3/4	108 3/8-1/2		103 3/8	104 3/8-1/2
Sunday	,	,	, ,	:	,	, ,
15	10= 3/4	109	109 5/8-3/4	: 106	105	105 7/8-106
16	110 3/8	109 1/8	109 5/8-3/4		105 1/4	106-106 1/8
17	110 1/2	109 1/2	10= 5/8-1/2		105 1/2	105 5/8-1/2
18	110 3/8	109 1/4	110 1/4-3/8		105 1/4	106 1/4-3/8
19	110	109 1/4	109 1/2-5/8		105 3/8	105 1/2-5/8
20	110 1/2	109 3/8	110 3/8-1/2		105 1/4	100 1/8-1/4
Sunday	ŕ	·		:	,	· ·
22	112 1/4	111 1/8	111 3/8-1/2	: 107 7/8	10o 5/8	107
23		111	111 5/8-3/4	: 107 3/8	106 1/2	107 1/4
24	112 1/2	111 3/4	112-111 7/8	: 107 7/8	107 1/4	107 1/2-3/8
25	115	111 7/8	114 1/2-5/8	: 109 5/8	107 3/8	109-109 1/8
Holiday				:		
27	118 1/2	114 7/8	118 3/8-1/2	: 112 7/8	109 3/8	112 3/4-7/8
Sunday		,		:	,	
29	119 3/4	118 1/2	118 7/8-119 121 3/8-1/2	: 114 1/4	112 7/8	113 3/8-1/2
	121 1/2	117 7/8	121 3/8-1/2	: 115 5/8	112 1/4	115 3/8-5/8
31		H 120 1/2	121 5/8-1/2	: 116 1/2	H 114 3/4	115 3/8-1/4
Range, Mar. 19	337	16 3/4		:	15 1/8	
Net Change		14 1/4		:	13	
Since 2/28/37		122 3/4			116 179	
Highest for for		$122 \ 3/4$	057	•	116 1/2	27
Date Lowest for fu	turo	March 31, 1 89 3/4	.301	•	March 31, 19 80 5/8	701
Date Date		ovember 2,	1936	•	ovember 2,	1936
Lave -	IV (ovember 2,	T000	1/	0 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	E

⁽¹⁾ Owi g to change made November 2, 1936 in deliverable grades, trading is now carried on in Old and New contracts in May and July futures.

Table 12. CCRN: Daily closing prices of the May future at Chicago, Kansas City and Buenos Aires, during March, 1937.

(In cents per bushel)

Jate	Chicago(1) (NEW)	Kansas City(1) (NEW)	Buenos Aires
March, 1937			
1 2. 3 4 5 6 Sunday	107 7/8-3/4 107 1/2-3/8 106 5/8-3/4 106 5/8-3/4 L 107 7/8-108 108 1/4-3/3		49 1/8 48 7/8 L 49 1/4 50 49 3/4 50 1/4
	109	112 5/8 b	50 1/4
8 9 10 11 12 13 Sunday	109 5/8-3/4 109 5/8-3/4 109 5/8 107 7/8 108 3/8-1/2	113 1/4= b 113 3/8 a 113= b	50 3/4 50 7/8 51 7/8
15	109 5/8-3/4	113 3/8= b	53 1/8
16	109 5/8-3/4	$113 \ 3/8 = a$	52. 7/8
17	109 5/8-1/2	113 3/8 b	53 1/4
18	110 1/4-3/8	113 3/4= b	52 3/4
19	109 1/2-5/8	112 7/8= b	Toliday
20	110 3/8-1/2	113 7/8 b	53 7/8
Sunday			
22	111 3/8-1/2	$114 \ 3/4 = b$	54 3/4
23	111 5/8-3/4	115 1/4= b	
24	112-111 7/8	115 5/8= b	56 7/8
25	114 1/2-5/8	117 3/4= b	Holiday
Moliday	770 7/0 7/0	202 0/0 2	77 - 7 4 3
2.7	118 3/8-1/2	121 7/8 b	Moliday
Sunday 29	סור מ/מ סור	122 1/8= b	59 5/8 II
30	118 7/8-119 121 3/8-1/2	$124 5/8 = \Pi$	59 5/8 .1
31	121 3/0-1/2	123 3/4	56 5/8
Range, March, 1937	121 5/8-1/2 II 15	14 1/4=	10 3/4
Met Change (Adv.	14 1/4	13	7 7/8
Since 2/28/37 (Dec.	T-1 T/-1	10	, ,
)	s 1/2	
Average Spread (Under Chicago	50	• -/ ~	58 3/8

M-highest; L-lowest; a-asked; b-bid; =(equal sign)-Split.

⁽¹⁾ Due to change in deliverable grades, Chicago began trading in both Old & New contracts on November 2, 1936, and Kansas City on January 4, 1937.

Table 13. OATS: Daily volume of trading (sales) all futures combined, at Chicago and Minneapolis, during March, 1937.

(In thousands of bushels, i.e., 000 omitted) Chicago Minneapolis Date Board of Chamber of Total Commerce Trade March, 1937 1 2,037 250 2,287 2 2,059 348 2,407 3 3,499 520 4,019 4 2,527 340 2,867 5 2,712 340 3,052 6 2,073 189 2,262 Sunday 8 2,151 156 L 2,307 9 346 5,252 4,906 10 6,170 678 6,848 11 249 3,204 2,955 12 3,225 395 3,620 13 1,892 L 168 2,060 L Sunday 2,979 308 15 2,671 2,969 16 2,657 312 4,019 17 3,640 379 18 3,060 488 3,548 19 4,207 3,831 376 20 2,234 223 2,457 Sunday 3,734 22 3,396 338 2,256 23 206 2,050 24 1,902 288 2,190 25 5,035 4,605 430 Holiday 727 8,151 7,424 27 Sunday 8,782 II 1,443 H 29 7,339 7,129 406 7,535 30 502 7,992 31 7,490 H Total. 10,405 106,039 March, 1937 95,634 Potal, 83,174 8,500 Jebruary, 1937 74,674 Total,

3,927

31,095

27,168

March, 1936

I-highest; L-lowest.

Table 14. OATS: Daily onen commitments of Clearing Members, all futures combined, at Chicago and Minneapolis, during March, 1937.

(In thousands of bushels; i.e., 000 omitted) Chicago Minneapolis Poard of Chamber of Total Date Trade Commerce March, 1937 46,264 H 4,940 H 51,204 H 2 4,891 46,038 50,929 3 45,781 4,756 50,537 4,752 4 45,529 50,281 5 45,659 4,759 50,418 5 4,716 45,446 50,162 Sunday 4,697 45,169 49,856 8 9 44,977 4,649 49,626 10 4,565 44,886 49,451 11 44,947 4,530 49,477 4,576 12 44,866 49,442 13 44.821 4,568 49,389 Sunday 44,776 4,573 15 49,349 16 44,783 4,578 49,361 17 44,506 4,484 48,990 44,297 18 4,599 48,896 19 44,194 4,498 48,692 20 44,220 4,519 48,739 Sunday 22 44,175 4,440 48,615 23 43,807 4,395 48,202 24 43,642 4,352 47,994 25 43,567 L 4,296 47,863 Holiday 27 43,623 4,085 47,708 Sunday 29 43,929 3,667 47,595 L 30 44,326 3,654 47,980 44,660 31 3,587 L 48,240 Average, March, 1937 44,726 4,466 49,193 Average, 5,103 47,875 52,978 February, 1937 Average, 4,063 39,244 March, 1936 43,307

Table 15. CATS: Daily closing prices of the May future at Chicago, Minneapolis and Winnipeg, during March, 1937.

(In cents per bushel)

Date	Chicago	Minneapolis	Winnipeg(1)
March, 1937			
1	46 7/8-47	45	55 1/ <u>4</u> =
2	46 3/4	45	55 1/8
3	45 3/4-5/8 L	44	55= b L
4	45 7/8-3/4	43 7/8 L	55 1/8
5 6	46 3/8-1/2	44 1/2'	55 3/8 b
	46 3/4	44 1/2= b	55 3/8
Sunday	10 7/1 7/0	44.574	== 2/0
8 9	46 3/4-7/8	$44 \ 3/4 = a$	55 1/2 a
	47 3/4-5/8	$45 \ 5/8 = b$	56 1/8
10	48 3/8-1/2	46	56 3/8
11	47 3/4-7/8		56 1/8 b 56= b
12	47-46 7/8 46 3/4-5/8	45= b 44 5/8= b	55 7/8 b
13	40 3/4-3/8	中年 の/ C= 0	55 7/6 0
Sunday 15	47 5/8	45 1/2	56 1/8= b
16	47 1/2-5/8		56 1/4= b
17	47 3/4-5/8		56 1/4= h
18	47 3/8	45 a	56 3/8= b
19	46 1/4	43 7/8= b	56= b
20	47-47 1/8	45	56 3/4=
Sunday	_, _, _,		'
22	47	44 7/8	56 5/8 b
2.3	47	$44 \ 5/8 = b$	56 5/8 b
24	46 7/8-47	$44 \ 7/8 = a$	57=
25	47 3/4	45 1/4 = b	56 7/8 b
Holiday			
27	49 1/8-1/4	46 3/4	58
Sunday			
29	49 1/8-1/4	47 3/8	58 3/8=
30	49 7/8 II	$48 \ 1/8 = b \ H$	58 3/4=
31	49 1/2-3/8	47 5/8 a	58 7/8= II
Range, March, 1937	4 1/4 2 3/4	4 1/4=	3 7/8
Net Change (Adv.	2. 3/4	2. 7/8	3 7/8
Since 2/28/37(Dec.			0
Average Spread (Over Chicago			9
(Under Chicago		2	

I-highest; L-lowest; a-askad; b-bid; =(equal; sign)-split.
(1) See note on last page of this report.

Table 16. RYE, BARLEY and FLAX: Daily volume of trading (sales), all futures combined, at certain specified markets, during March, 1937.

Jate	R	Y E	ВА	RLEY	FLAX
	Chicago 1	Winneapolis	: Chicago	Minneapolis	: Duluth
March, 1937			•		•
1	88 9	88 L	:	42	: 2
2	660	140	:	55	:
3	1,083	192	:	53	:
4 <u>1</u>	853	196	:	23	:
5	779	115	;	104	:
6	942	118	:	47	:
Sunday			:		:
8	1,020	113	;	42.	:
9	1,000	102	:	30	:
10	2,708 H	274	: 5	110	:
11	1,184	131	:	8	:
12	1,048	150	:	7 L	: 2
13	486 L	129	:	22	
Sunday			;		•
15	837	161	:	18	:
16	871	176	:	21	;
17	1,612	218	: 5	47	:
18	1,135	145	:	28	:
19	8 23	143	: 5	34	:
20	702] 24	: 40 %	30	: 1
Sunday			:		•
2.8	1,914	245	: 10	63	:
S3	1,129	207	:	35	:
2-1	1,206	216	: 5	48	:
25	1,936	229	:	56	4 7
Toliday			•		•
2.7	1,945	203	:	65	:
Sunday			:		:
29	1,800	284 H	: 10	112 II	:
30	1,732	206	:	55	:
31	1,964	180	: L	63	: L
Total,			:		•
varch, 1937	32,258	4,485	: 80	1,218	: 9
Total,			•		:
February, 1937	24,035	4,563	: 20	1,221	: 12
Total,			•		•
March,1936	7,534	3,244	: 5	843	: 33

M-highest; L-lowest.

Table 17. RYD, BARLEY and FLAX: Daily open commitments of Clearing Members, all futures combined, at certain specified markets, during March, 1937.

Jate	R	Y E	A C	RLEY	FLAX
	Chicago	Minneapolis :	: Chicago	Minneapolis	: Ouluth
March, 1937			}		•
1	10,241	1,467	70	1,010	: 13
2.	10,218	1,477 H	70	994	: 13
3	10,071	1,454	70	, 994 L	: 13
41	10,055 L	1,437	70	9 99	: 13
5 .	10,075	1,401	70	1,053	1.3
6	10,126	1,371	70	1,070	: 13
Sunday				·	:
8	10,323	1,349	70	1,071	: 13
9	10,324	1,362	70 L	1,035	: 13
10	10,274	1,347	75	1,137	: 13
11.	10,421	1,339	75	1,140	: 13
12	10,395	1,310	75	1,142	: 13
13	10,508	1,320	75	1,137	: 13
Sunday					•
15	10,456	1,329	75	1,134	: 13
16	10,422	1,329	75	1,137	: 13
17	10,306	1,305	80	1,136	: 13
18	10,386	1,275	80	1,153	: 13
19	10,449	1,257	85	1,155	: 13
20	10,373	1,261	: 120	1,170	: 13
Sunday	,	·		•	:
22	10,184	1,245	- 130	1,164	: 13
2.3	10,153	1,260	130	1,177	: 13
2.4	10,211	1,191	130	1,186	: 13 L
25	10,666	1,149	130	1,190	: 15
Holiday	•		•		:
27	10,827	1,165	130	1,189	: 15
Sunday	•			·	•
29	10,734	1,171	140	1,204	: 15
30	10,868 H	**************************************	140	1,213	: 15
31	10,850	1,123 L	: 140 H	1,215 H	: 15 H
Average,			•		:
March, 1937	10,381	1,302	94	1,125	: 13
Average,			•		•
February, 1937	10,194	1,496	: 69	1,024	: 11
Average,			•		:
March, 1936	6,674	2,513	: 77	1,363	: 74

his, Barim's and FLAX: Daily closing prices of the way ruture at Chicago, Minneapolis, Duluth and Winnipeg, during March, 1977. (In centa per bushel) Table 15.

T T A Y	th m		L 171 a	77	172 1/4	a 172 b	174 1/	74 1		173 7/8	174 3/	75 1/	175 3/	17º 1/2= b	15 31		76 3/	176 5/8	177 7/8	77 1/8	75 1/	77 1/8		78 1/	80	184 7/	89		1/2 b 194 7/8=		S	195	<u>н</u> 19	28 7/8	1/2 26				
	(1): Dulu	•				: 215								315 : ۲			: 215	: 215	: 216	: 216	b L : 216	: 215	••		: 21	: 215		••	1.22:	• •	F : 222	: 223	. 20%	: 10		••		• •	
	is Winnipeg		81 1/3	81		80 1/2				0 3/	1 1/	1 7/	2 5/	81 1/2=	0 3/		7	3/4	-	8 2≡	3/4	81 3/8=		=8/2 0	_	82.1/4	S		8/1 28		84 5/8	18		3/	_		2 3/8		
V T T Q V	Minneapol	!	2 5/8	2 1/	1 1/	$71\ 3/4\ b$	1 5/8	72		٥.	۲. در	3 1/4	2.5/8	71 5/8 b	0 7/8		72	1 1/	78 1/2	62	71	7.5		3/	1/2 p	7.1	71 3/8		73 8		74 1/8 h	76 P	1/4	5 1/2	с.			7 1/8	_ a
T C	Chicago		88	N	N	: 82 n	. 82 n	C\;	•	0	: 80 n	H 28	,	81 8	0		1/2	: 79 1/2 n	. 79		: 76 1/2 e			: 76	:75a I	: 76	. 76 n		. 76 n				` a			C.			lit: n-nomina
	Winnipeg(1)		104 7/8	05 5/	105	7	06 1/8 b	06 3/		107	20	08 3/	108	105 5/8	05 3/		12 20	08 3/8=	108 7/8	09 1/	05 3/	08 5/		08 1/	09 1/	110 7/8 b	11 3/		115 5/8=		$18 \ 3/$	118 7/8= H	16 5/	11				1/4	Fan sign -an
V C	polis		102 1/2		3/	100 5/8 b I	5/8	7		1 1/	71 8	3 1/	3 7/8	102 3/4 a	3 1/4		03	40	104 3/4 b	051/4	03	05 1/		104 1/2	05	100 1/4 h	90		109 1/8 b	•	2	110 5/8 b H	1/		5		20	caro 4 7/8	esked: b-bid: =(
4 N C	Chicago		06 5/	106 3/4 b	106	_	06 3/4	90		/8 90	/4 90	8/9 80	08 5/8	107 1/2 b	07 1/8		08 3/	60	109 1/2 b	10	0	10		/9 60	\leftarrow	_	ہے		114 1/2		1/	115 1/4	116 H	,1937 10 1/2	_	7()ec.		(Under Chi	ਜ ਦ
	Date	Merch, 1937		0.	r	4	2	9	Sunday	Φ	σ	10	11	12	13	Sunday	15	16	17	18	61	30	Sunday	35	23	400	25	Holiday		Sunday	53	30	31	Range, Warch	3h2	Since 2/28/37	0	1: 1	"-highest;]

⁽¹⁾ See note on last page of this report.

Table 19. ALL GRAINS: Daily volume of trading (sales) all futures combined, at four principal markets, during March, 1937.

(In thousands of bushels, i.e., 000 omitted) Chicago(1) Minneapolis Kansas City(1) Duluth Board of Chamber of Board of Board of Date Total Trade Commerce Trade Trade March, 1937 33,211 1,133 1,519 L 11 35,874 1 2 30,355 1,535 1,884 33,781 3 1,996 43,199 2,490 47,685 4 22,874 L 1,415 1,597 25,886 L 5 40,719 1,698 2,168 4 44,589 6 32,948 1,267 1,969 36,184 Sunday 8 34,154 1,045 L 2,098 6 37,303 9 1,283 2,682 46,611 --- L 50,576 10 2,974 18 83,571 H 4,362 90,925 H 11 1,557 2,739 2 49,552 45,254 12 53,899 1,831 2,626 18 58,374 13 1,124 2 35,489 2,188 38,803 Sunday 48,075 15 1,565 3,617 20 53,277 16 49,134 1,816 3,085 16 54,051 17 2,304 19 77,714 70,841 4,550 H 18 1,714 9 50,981 46,440 2,818 19 51,895 1,690 2,615 11 56,211 44,163 20 40,768 1,268 2,109 18 Sunday 22 2,776 38 79,634 72,468 4,352 23 53,309 1,785 3,500 40 58,634 24 2,311 6 62,526 56,829 3,380 25 64,298 1,877 33 69,747 3,539 Holiday 27 58,975 2,379 2,712 49 H 64,115 Sunday 29 69,247 3,884 H 3,317 24 76,472 30 72,516 2,252 3,619 4 78,391 31 64,539 2,159 3,379 10 70,087 Total 74,914 1,321,618 48,638 365 1,445,535 Average 14 50,831 1,871 2,881 55,598

⁽¹⁾ Old and New contracts combined.

WHEAT; CORN, CATS, RYE, BARLEY and FLAX: Total volume of trading (sales) at all contract markets, during March, 1937. Table 20.

	(In thousands	of bushels.	i.e., COO omitted	nitted)			
Market	Wheat	Corn	Oats	Rye	Berley	Flax	Total All Grains
Chicago Board of Trade	1,047,478	146,168(1)	95,634	32,258	80	1	1,321,618
Chicago Open Board	16,650	1,137(1)	829	30	1	!	18,445
Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce	32,359	1	10,405	4,485	1,218(2)	171	48,638
Kansas City Board of Trade	70,890	3,859(1)	165		1 1	1	74,914
Duluth Board of Trade	356(3)	1		-	!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!	Ø)	365
St. Louis Merchants Exchange	1	}	1 1	1 1	!!!	1	1 1 2
Milwaukee Grain & Stock Exchange	2,108	557(1)	389	215	1	1	3,269
Seattle Grain Exchange	251	1	1	1 1	1	1	251
Portland Grain Exchange	44	!	!!!	-	1		₹
San Francisco Chember of Commerce		!	 		1	1	1 1
Los Angeles Grain Exchange		1	1		!!!	1 1	1 1
New York Produce Exchange	-	1		1	1 1	1	1
Total All Markets, March, 1937	1,170,136	151,721	107,221	36,988	1,298	180	1,467,544
Total All Markets, February, 1937	775,898	129,969	84,594	28,829	1,245	213	1,020,748
tal Al	466,193	52,161	31,680	10,927	848	338	562,147
(1) Old and New contracts combined. (3) All durum.	i. (2) Total	includes 2	malting barley.	.ey.			

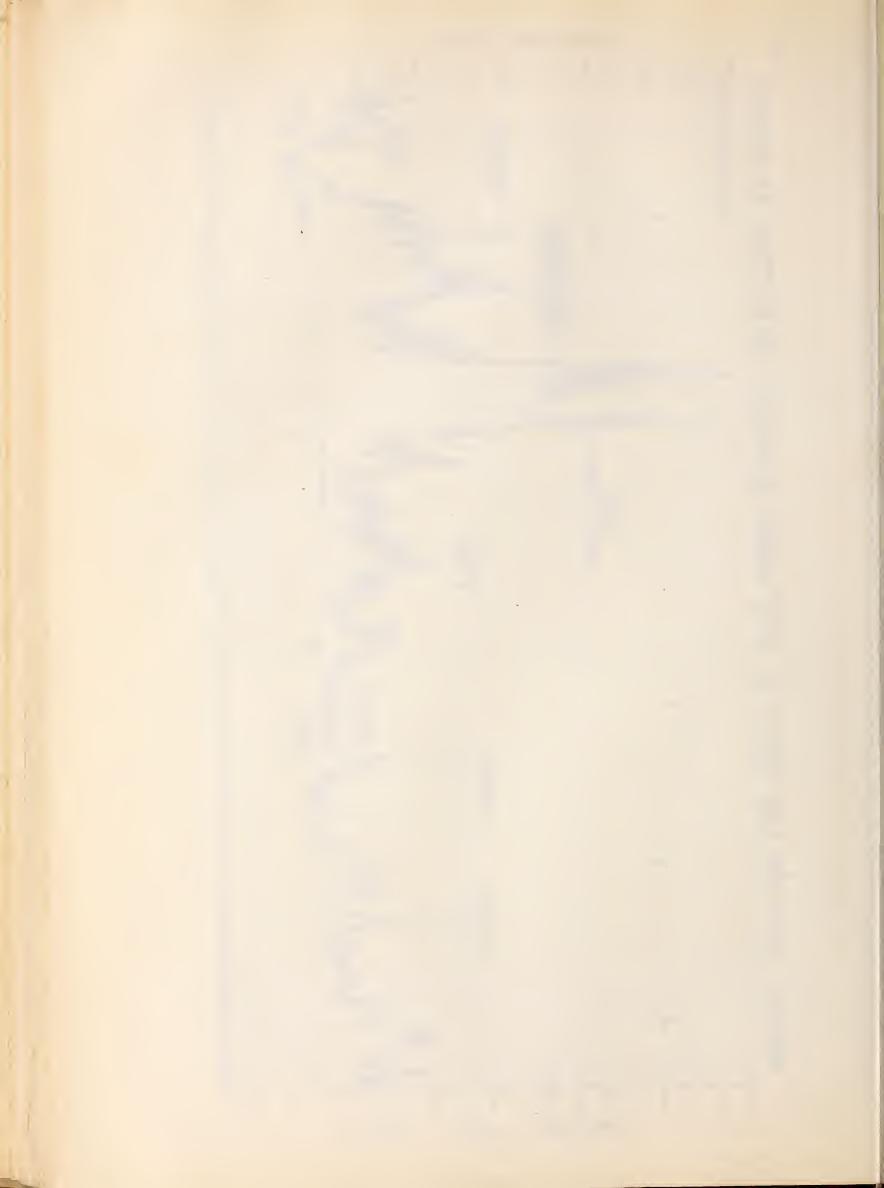
Monthly Range of Spot Wheat Prices at Chicago for Fifty-Eight Years

The chart found on the following page shows the uncertainties to which wheat prices have been subjected during the past half century, or to be more exact, during a period of fifty-eight years, from 1879 to 1936, inclusive. Some of the major items include: war, with its attendant upheaval in the general level of prices; changes in wheat supplies; crop scares; corners or threatened corners; and depression effects on the demand for wheat. In addition to these major forces, there are minor ones which account for substantial variations from month to month. The uncertainties of speculation, which speculation may or may not be based upon reliable news and events in the trade, more or less continually find reflection in uncertain price

Within the limits of each month there is also shown to be a sizable range in prices occasioned in part by day-to-day changes in speculative activity and in part due to differences in the qualities of cash grain sold on the market. During the entire period of fifty-eight years the low price was 44 1/2 cents per bushel in December 1932, and the high price was \$3.50 per bushel in December 1919 and January 1920, making a maximum range in price of \$3.05 1/2 per bushel.

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Note: Because of the wide fluctuations in foreign exchange, which began September 21, 1931, and are still continuing, the Liverpool prices are calculated from the closing price of the pound sterling on the money exchange and the closing price of Liverpool futures on the grain exchange, while the Winnipeg prices are calculated from the closing price on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange and the premiums and discounts on Canadian currency as furnished by one of the large Chicago banks.

The following table shows the reported high, low and closing quotations on the pound sterling, together with the high, low and closing percent premiums and discounts applied to Canadian currency:

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